

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371		Attorney Docket No. 0540-1039 U.S. Application No. 10/550,693
INTERNATIONAL APPLN. NO. PCT/FR04/50110	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 17, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 17, 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION: ADJUSTABLY BIODEGRADABLE MATERIAL FOR A HORTICULTURAL CONTAINER AND OVERPACKAGING FOR CONTAINERS		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Jean-Pierre VARACHEZ and Jacques BARBIER		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371. 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. §371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The U.S. has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371 (c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. See attached PCT/IB/308. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371 (c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. §154(d)(4). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371 (c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made, however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371 (c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4)) 10. <input type="checkbox"/> Declaration of Inventorship for purposes of U.S.A. designation pursuant to rule 4.17(iv).) 11. <input type="checkbox"/> English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(5)). 		
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 12. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) w/PTO-1449 - <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of IDS citations. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)). 14. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. §1.76. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> Itemized Return Receipt Postcard 17. <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute specification. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney and Statement under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> Newly executed Power of Attorney b. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of Power of Attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. §1.821 - 1.825. 20. <input type="checkbox"/> Second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. §154(d)(4). 21. <input type="checkbox"/> Second copy of the English language translation of the international application (35 U.S.C. §154(d)(4)). 22. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 		

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: <div style="text-align: center;">PCT FEES - NATIONAL STAGE</div>				CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY	
<u>Fee Description</u>					
				Basic National Stage Fee	
Non ISA/US Search Provided				National Stage Search Fee	
<input type="checkbox"/> US was the IPEA And all claims satisfied the provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4)				National Stage Examination Fee	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20- <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (Fee Code 1617/2617)				65.00	
National Stage Application size fee each additional 50 sheets in excess of 100 Fee Code 1681/2681		Additional Sheets <div style="text-align: center;"> - 100 = <u>50</u> = <u> </u> X </div>		Fee From Below \$125.00	
CLAIMS		NUMBER FILED		NUMBER EXTRA	
Independent Claims Fee Codes 1614 / 2614		2 - 3 =		0	
Total Claims Fee Codes 1615 / 2615		13 - 20 =		0	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) Fee Code 1616 / 2616				+ \$360.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. §1.492(f)). Fee Code 1618					
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. §1.21(h)). (Fee code 8021)					
\$40.00 per property +					
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$ 65.00	
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				Charged: \$	
<input type="checkbox"/> A check is attached. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge the \$65 small-entity surcharge for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest filing date to Young & Thompson Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A copy of this page is attached. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In this, concurrent, and future replies, the Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any omitted or additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120.					
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: YOUNG & THOMPSON 745 South 23 rd Street Arlington, VA 22202 Telephone: (703) 521-2297 Telecopier: (703) 685-0573 Y&T Customer No. 00466 BC:ia:rk			<div style="font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">Benoît Castel</div> SIGNATURE Benoît Castel, Reg. No. 35,041 NAME, REGISTRATION NUMBER April 26, 2006 DATE		